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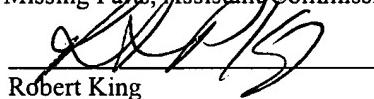
In re Application of:

Gerhard Pfaffinger et al. :  
Appln. No. 09/721,428 : Art Unit: 2643  
Filed: November 22, 2000 : Examiner: Not Yet Decided  
For: SOUND SYSTEM : Atty. Docket: HAS-009.01

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Sir:

We attach an executed Declaration for the above-referenced application.

Also enclosed is a copy of the Notice to File Missing Parts of NonProvisional Application and a check totaling \$840.00 for the basic filing fee (\$710), and late filing surcharge (\$130).

Although we believe that we have submitted the correct amount to cover the above-listed items, the Commissioner is authorized to credit any overpayment or charge any deficiencies to our Deposit Account No. 06-1448.

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**DECLARATION FOR PATENT APPLICATION**

Docket Number HAS-009.01

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name.

I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

**SOUND SYSTEM**

the specification of which (check one)

(X) is attached hereto.

( ) was filed on as United States Application Number or PCT International Application Number.

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulation, § 1.56.

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, § 119(a)-(d) of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate listed below and have also identified below any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed.

Prior Foreign Application(s)	Priority Claimed		
<u>199 56 690.9</u> (Number)	<u>Germany</u> (Country)	<u>November 25, 1999</u> (Day/Month/Year Filed)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (X) Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
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I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, § 119(e) of any United States Provisional application(s) listed below.

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I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, § 120 of any United States application(s) listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of Title 35, United States Code, §112, I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, §1.56 which became available between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of this application.

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**NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION**

**FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)**

***Filing Date Granted***

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The statutory basic filing fee is missing.  
*Applicant must submit \$ 710 to complete the basic filing fee and/or file a small entity statement claiming such status (37 CFR 1.27).*
- The oath or declaration is unsigned.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- **The balance due by applicant is \$ 840.**

*A copy of this notice **MUST** be returned with the reply.*

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